

Adult First Day Program Notes – 10 November 2021

For Adult First Day Program (AFDP), Tampa Friends are reading *Walking in the World as a Friend* by Nadine Hoover. Chapter 1 covers the three key Quaker roles we take on as Friends: minister, steward, and witness. These roles help us embody Quaker practice. As ministers, we tend to our inward spiritual life and experience; as stewards we tend to our outer lives to reflect our inward experience; and as witnesses we tend to our public lives. Each of us is responsible to fulfill these roles as best we can, thereby enriching not only ourselves but our meeting community as well.

Chapter 2 is filled with activities we will consider at a future date as possible topics for a meeting retreat.

In Chapter 3, Experiences of the Living Spirit, we discussed conviction, which is how we have met and continue to meet Spirit, with many Friends sharing their own personal experiences.

Please join us each First Day for the Adult First Day Program, from 9 to 9:45 am, online or at the meeting house. We will finish Chapter 3 (Conviction) and begin Chapter 5, Experiment with the Living Spirit.

There is an accompanying video series that can be found on the Quaker Religious Education Collaborative website - *Walking in the World as a Friend* | Quaker Religious Education Collaborative (<https://quakerrecollaborative.org/resource/walking-in-the-world-as-a-friend>).